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## PETITION UNDER RITHE 138(a) AND RULE 17(a)(1)

ATTN: MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Final Office Action dated, January 7, 2004, for one month, from APRIL 7, 2004, to MAY 7, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee for the extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

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